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PROPOSED STATE STANDARD,
TITLE 8, CHAPTER 4

Amend section 3649 to read as follows:

§ 3649. Definitions.

Low Profile Tractor. An agricultural tractor possessing all of the following characteristics:

- (A) The front wheel spacing is substantially equal to the rear wheel spacing, as measured from the inside of each right wheel to the inside of the corresponding left wheel.
- (B) The clearance from the bottom of the tractor chassis to the ground does not exceed 18 inches (45.7 cm).
- (C) The highest point of the hood does not exceed 60 inches (152.4 cm).
- (D) The tractor is designed so that the seated operator straddles the transmission or is in another position within the same height limitation.

NOTE: Authority cited: Section 142.3, Labor Code. Reference: Section 142.3, Labor Code.

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Amend section 3651(a) to read:

§ 3651. Agricultural and Industrial Tractors.

(a) All agricultural and industrial tractors manufactured after October 25, 1976 (except industrial tow tractors), shall be equipped with rollover protective structures (ROPS) when operated by an employee.

EXCEPTIONS:

~~1. "Low profile" tractors while they are used in orchards, vineyards or hop yards where the vertical clearance requirements would substantially interfere with normal operations, and while their use is incidental to the work performed therein.~~

~~2.~~1. "Low profile" tractors while used in orchards, vineyards, or hop yards or inside a farm building or greenhouse in which the vertical clearance is insufficient to allow a ROPS equipped tractor to operate, and while their use is incidental to the work performed therein.

~~3.~~2. Tractors while used with mounted equipment ~~which~~ that is incompatible with ROPS (e.g. cornpickers, cotton strippers, vegetable pickers and fruit harvesters).

~~4.~~3. Tractors, when operated as stationary power and pumping units, and while their use is incidental to such stationary operations.

NOTE: The terms "incidental to the work" or "incidental to," used in the exceptions above, shall mean the necessary additional work required to perform or complete the intended work within the exempted work area (such as, fueling, repairing, maintenance, travel to and from the exempted work area, etc.).

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